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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Erin E. MURPHY, et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 27, 2002 for which a response was due on February 27, 2003, and for which a two month extension of time is requested to extend the time for response from February 27, 2003 to April 27, 2003. As April 27, 2003 is a Sunday, the response is believed to be timely filed on the following business day, Monday, April 28, 2003. All pending claims were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection as contained in the Office Action, and the enclosed remarks are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The following Exhibits are included herein:

Exhibit A: Thurleek and Miller, *The Respiratory System*, in PATHOLOGY 609 (Rubin, *et al.*, eds. 1988).

Exhibit B: Connor and Gibson, *Infectious and Parasitic Diseases*, in PATHOLOGY 439 (Rubin, *et al.*, eds. 1988).

Exhibit C: Declaration of Jeanine D. Mattson Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 and Tables 1 and 2.

Exhibit D: Curriculum Vitae of Jeanine D. Mattson.